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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
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Washington, D.C. 20426

*Re: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., Docket Nos. ER22-2110-000 and ER22-2110-001  
Informational Report on the Processing of New Service Requests Under the Transition  
Period Rules*

Dear Secretary Reese:

Pursuant to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("Commission" or "FERC") November 29, 2022 order<sup>1</sup> accepting PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.'s ("PJM") proposed revisions to the PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff ("Tariff") to comprehensively reform its generation interconnection process from a "first-come, first-served" serial approach to a "first-ready, first-served" Cycle approach<sup>2</sup> ("New Interconnection Process"), PJM submits this informational report on the processing of New Service Requests<sup>3</sup> under PJM's Transition Period Rules.

## **I. BACKGROUND**

On June 14, 2022, PJM filed a proposed plan to comprehensively reform its generation interconnection process from a "first-come, first-served" serial approach to a "first-ready, first-

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<sup>1</sup> See generally *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Letter Order, Order Accepting Tariff Revisions Subject to Condition, Docket Nos. ER22-2110-000, ER22-2110-001 (Nov. 29, 2022) ("Interconnection Reform Order") (accepting PJM's proposed interconnection reforms, without modification, subject to the submission of informational reports).

<sup>2</sup> See *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Tariff Revisions for Interconnection Process Reform, Request for Commission Action by October 3, 2022, and Request for 30-Day Comment Period, Docket No. ER22-2110-000 (June 14, 2022) ("June 14 Filing").

<sup>3</sup> Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning assigned to such terms in the Tariff.

served” Cycle approach.<sup>4</sup> As part of the reforms, PJM proposed “Transition Period Rules,” procedures and rules governing the transition from the serial interconnection process in effect at the time of the filing through the commencement of the New Interconnection Process.<sup>5</sup> Specifically, the Transition Period Rules apply to projects in the AE1, AE2, AF1, AF2, AG1, AG2, and AH1 queue windows,<sup>6</sup> which were not tendered an Interconnection Service Agreement (“ISA”) or wholesale market participation agreement (“WMPA”) as of the Transition Date.<sup>7</sup>

On July 10, 2023, PJM achieved the Transition Date, and began processing New Service Requests under the Transition Period Rules.<sup>8</sup> Under the Transition Period Rules, PJM performed a retool study with all eligible projects in the AE1 through AG1 queue windows to identify projects eligible for processing under the Expedited Process.<sup>9</sup> PJM completed that retool study and posted the results on its website on December 15, 2023.<sup>10</sup>

Projects that did not qualify for the Expedited Process were processed as part of Transition Cycle 1. All New Service Requests in queue windows AG2 and AH1 are being processed in Transition Cycle 2.<sup>11</sup> Upon completion of Transition Cycle 2, Decision Point II, PJM will

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<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

<sup>5</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 60 (finding PJM’s Transition Period Rules are just and reasonable and not unduly discriminatory or preferential).

<sup>6</sup> These queue positions represent projects that were submitted during the period between April 1, 2018, and September 30, 2021. *See* Interconnection Reform Order at PP 8, 37.

<sup>7</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 37. The Transition Date is the later of: (1) the effective date for the Transition Period Rules (January 3, 2023), or (2) the date by which all AD2 and prior queue window ISAs and WMPAs have been executed or filed unexecuted. Interconnection Reform Order at Appendix 1; *see also* Tariff, Part VII, Subpart A, Section 300 (definition of Transition Date).

<sup>8</sup> *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Notification of Occurrence of Transition Date, Docket Nos. ER22-2110-000 *et al.* (July 11, 2023).

<sup>9</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 38.

<sup>10</sup> PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., *Expedited Process / TC1 Classification*, <https://www.pjm.com/planning/service-requests/fast-lane-tc1-classification>.

<sup>11</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 38. By order issued February 11, 2025, the Commission accepted PJM’s proposed changes to Tariff, Part VII, Subpart C, sections 305 and 306 to enable a one-time reliability-based expansion

commence the Application Review Phase for Cycle 1 under the New Interconnection Process.

On November 29, 2022, the Commission accepted PJM's June 14 Filing, without modification, subject to condition.<sup>12</sup> In accepting the June 14 Filing, the Commission directed PJM to submit informational reports, concurrently with its Order No. 845 informational reports,<sup>13</sup> beginning after the occurrence of the Transition Date. Specifically, the Commission stated:

We therefore direct PJM to submit informational reports with the Commission in the instant docket concurrent with its Order No. 845 information filing beginning after the Transition Date and ending when PJM has completed processing all New Service Requests under the Transition Period Rules. These informational filings should provide the following: (1) the number of studies completed by study phase and the average time for study completion under the Transition Period Rules; (2) the number of New Service Requests remaining in the Expedited Process, Transition Cycle 1, and Transition Cycle 2, by queue window and study phase; (3) updates on whether PJM is meeting the timelines for completion for each phase in Transition Cycles 1 and 2 (i.e., whether it completed the Phase I system impact study in 120 days, the Phase II system impact study in 180 days, and the Phase III system impact study in 180 days), and how long PJM took to complete each phase;

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of the eligibility criteria for Transition Cycle 2 so that a limited number of additional resources of the type needed to address PJM's near-term reliability challenges may apply for consideration as Reliability Resource Initiative ("RRI") projects in Transition Cycle 2. *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, 190 FERC ¶ 61,084 (2025), *order on reh'g and clarification*, 192 FERC ¶ 61,085 (2025). PJM has incorporated metrics related to RRI projects that entered Transition Cycle 2 into the current report and will continue to do so in future informational reports, as applicable.

<sup>12</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 1.

<sup>13</sup> *Reform of Generator Interconnection Procedures and Agreements*, Order No. 845, 163 FERC ¶ 61,043 (2018), *errata notice*, 167 FERC ¶ 61,123, *order on reh'g*, Order No. 845-A, 166 FERC ¶ 61,137, *errata notice*, 167 FERC ¶ 61,124, *order on reh'g*, Order No. 845-B, 168 FERC ¶ 61,092 (2019) (collectively, "Order No. 845"). Order No. 845 and Tariff, Part IV, Subpart A, section 41 (Interconnection Study Statistics) imposed reporting requirements under a serial interconnection study process framework. However, on July 10, 2023, PJM began processing New Service Requests under the "first-ready, first-served" Cycle approach set forth in its new interconnection process and adopting new provisions governing interconnection studies processing time and metrics posting and, as applicable, reporting requirements that reflect the new Cycle-based study process. See Tariff, Part VII, Subpart E, section 333; see also Tariff, Part VIII, Subpart E, section 431. Additionally, on July 28, 2023, the Commission issued Order No. 2023, requiring transmission providers to adopt a cluster study interconnection process with new metric reporting requirements. *Improvements to Generator Interconnection Procedures and Agreements*, Order #2023, 184 FERC ¶ 61,054 (2023) ("Order No. 2023"). According to Order No. 2023, the new metric reporting requirements "replace[] the existing requirement to post metrics for interconnection feasibility study processing time and system impact study processing time, which were relevant for the serial study process but are no longer relevant for the cluster study process required by this final rule." Order No. 2023 at P 259. On February 14, 2024, PJM filed both the Order No. 845 informational report for the reporting period including the final days of the serial interconnection process and the first informational report under the new "first-ready, first-served" Cycle approach. See *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., Informational Report on Interconnection Study Performance Metrics*, Docket No. ER19-1958-003 (Feb. 14, 2024). Due to both PJM's and the Commission's transition to a cycle study interconnection process with new metric requirements, PJM has ceased filing informational reports pursuant to Tariff, Part IV.

and (4) updated timelines on when PJM expects to commence and complete the remaining phases of Transition Cycles 1 and 2 and the Expedited Process and commence Cycle 1 under the New Rules.<sup>14</sup>

The Commission noted that PJM's informational reports are for informational purposes only and are meant to provide increased transparency to interested parties and the Commission on PJM's progress towards clearing the interconnection queue backlog and reducing study delays.<sup>15</sup>

## II. DESCRIPTION OF INFORMATIONAL REPORT

The attached "PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., Informational Report – Processing of New Service Requests Under the Transition Period Rules" ("Informational Report") provides the metrics set forth in the Interconnection Reform Order. Specifically, the Informational Report provides the following metrics:

- **Requirement 1:** This section provides three tables showing the number of studies completed by study phase and the average time for study completion under the Transition Period Rules.<sup>16</sup> During the Expedited Process, the studies completed included the System Impact Study and the Facilities Study.<sup>17</sup> During Transition Cycles 1 and 2, the studies for each phase include: (1) a Phase I System Impact Study<sup>18</sup> ("Phase I") completed by PJM; (2) a Phase II System Impact Study<sup>19</sup> completed by PJM and a Facilities Study completed by the Transmission Owner ("Phase II"); and (3) a Phase

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<sup>14</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 140 (citations omitted).

<sup>15</sup> *Id.* n.247. The order further noted that the Commission will not notice the filings for comment and the filings do not require Commission action.

<sup>16</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 140.

<sup>17</sup> Tariff, Part VII, Subpart D, section 304 (setting forth the studies for the AE1-AG1 Expedited Process).

<sup>18</sup> Tariff, Part VII, Subpart D, section 308 (setting forth the Phase I System Impact Study process).

<sup>19</sup> Tariff, Part VII, Subpart D, section 310 (setting forth the Phase II System Impact Study process).

III System Impact Study<sup>20</sup> completed by PJM and a Facilities Study completed by the Transmission Owner (“Phase III”).<sup>21</sup>

- **Requirement 2:** This table shows the number of New Service Requests, by queue window, remaining in the Expedited Process,<sup>22</sup> Transition Cycle 1, and Transition Cycle 2.<sup>23</sup>
- **Requirement 3:** PJM provides an update on its performance with respect to the completion timelines for each study phase in Transition Cycle 1 and Transition Cycle 2.<sup>24</sup>
- **Requirement 4:** PJM provides updated timelines on when PJM expects to complete the Expedited Process,<sup>25</sup> expects to commence and complete the remaining phases of Transition Cycle 1<sup>26</sup> and Transition Cycle 2, and expects to commence Cycle 1 under the New Interconnection Process.<sup>27</sup>

The reporting period for this informational report began on July 1, 2025, and concluded on December 31, 2025.<sup>28</sup>

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<sup>20</sup> Tariff, Part VII, Subpart D, section 312 (setting forth the Phase III System Impact Study process).

<sup>21</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 140.

<sup>22</sup> As noted in the attached Informational Report, PJM completed the Expedited Process on April 18, 2025.

<sup>23</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 140.

<sup>24</sup> *Id.*

<sup>25</sup> *See supra* n.22.

<sup>26</sup> *See supra* n.22.

<sup>27</sup> Interconnection Reform Order at P 140.

<sup>28</sup> *See also* *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Informational Report on the Processing of New Service Requests Under the Transition Period Rules, Docket Nos. ER22-2110-000, -001 (Aug. 14, 2025); *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Informational Report on the Processing of New Service Requests Under the Transition Period Rules, Docket Nos. ER22-2110-000, -001 (Feb. 15, 2025); *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Informational Report on the Processing of New Service Requests Under the Transition Period Rules, Docket Nos. ER22-2110-000, -001 (Aug. 14, 2024); *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Informational Report on the Processing of New Service Requests Under the Transition Period Rules, Docket Nos. ER22-2110-000, -001 (Feb. 14, 2024).

### III. DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED IN THIS FILING

In addition to this transmittal letter, the document being submitted as part of this filing is as follows:

- Attachment A – PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., Informational Report – Processing of New Service Requests Under the Transition Period Rules, Docket Nos. ER22-2110-000 *et al.* (Feb. 13, 2026)

### IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

All notices, communications or correspondence addressed to PJM regarding this matter should be directed to, and PJM requests that the Secretary include on the Commission's official service list,<sup>29</sup> the following:

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<sup>29</sup> To the extent necessary, PJM requests waiver of Rule 203(b)(3) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.203(b)(3), to permit all of the persons listed to be placed on the official service list for this proceeding.

## **V. SERVICE**

PJM has served a copy of this filing on all PJM Members and on the affected state utility regulatory commissions in the PJM Region by posting this filing electronically. In accordance with the Commission's regulations,<sup>30</sup> PJM will post a copy of this filing to the FERC filings section of its website, located at the following link: <https://www.pjm.com/library/filing-order.aspx> with a specific link to the newly-filed document, and will send an e-mail on the same date as this filing to all PJM Members and all state utility regulatory commissions in the PJM Region<sup>31</sup> alerting them that this filing has been made by PJM and is available by following such link. If the document is not immediately available by using the referenced link, the document will be available through the referenced link within twenty-four hours of the filing.

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<sup>30</sup> See 18 C.F.R. §§ 35.2(e), 385.2010(f)(3).

<sup>31</sup> PJM already maintains, updates, and regularly uses e-mail lists for all PJM Members and affected state commissions.

## VI. CONCLUSION

As provided in the Commission's November 29, 2022 order, PJM respectfully submits this Informational Report to the Commission for informational purposes. As noted in the order, PJM's Informational Report is not intended to be subject to the Commission's formal notice requirements, and does not require Commission action.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that this day I caused to be served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Dated at Audubon, PA this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026.

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**PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., Informational  
Report – Processing of New Service Requests  
Under the Transition Period Rules, Docket Nos.  
ER22-2110-000 *et al.* (Feb. 13, 2026)**

For Public Use

## Transition Period Informational Report

In accordance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s order in Docket Nos. ER22-2110-000 and -001, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. (“PJM”) provides this informational report to show PJM’s progress on the processing of New Service Requests under the Transition Period Rules, the application of which commenced on the Transition Date of July 10, 2023. The information in this report covers the period between July 1, 2025, and December 31, 2025.

### Requirement 1

The following tables show the number of studies completed, organized by study phase, and the average time for study completion under the Transition Period Rules.

Expedited Process	Expedited Process
Number of Projects in Cycle	292
Number of Projects With Completed System Impact Studies	292
Average Time for System Impact Study Completion (days)	341
Number of Projects with Completed Facilities Studies	245 <sup>1</sup>
Average Time for Facilities Study Completion (days)	178

Transition Cycle 1	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
Number of Projects in Cycle	306	216	130
Number of Projects With Completed System Impact Studies	306	216	130
Average Time for System Impact Study Completion (days)	120	182	152
Number of Projects with Completed Facilities Studies	-	204 <sup>2</sup>	74 <sup>3</sup>
Average Time for Facilities Study Completion (days)	-	136	152

<sup>1</sup> Certain New Service Requests did not require a Facilities Study because they were not subject to FERC jurisdiction or involved uprates. Accordingly, the metrics reflecting the processing of Facilities Studies set forth in this informational report focus on the New Service Requests that required Facilities Studies.

<sup>2</sup> See *supra* n.1.

<sup>3</sup> Facilities Studies are only performed for system reinforcement Network Upgrades in Phase 3. A Network Upgrade can be shared by multiple projects. There were 74 system reinforcement Network Upgrades in Transition Cycle 1, Phase 3 for which Facilities Studies were performed.

Transition Cycle 2	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
Number of Projects in Cycle <sup>4</sup>	450	271 <sup>5</sup>	-
Number of Projects With Completed System Impact Studies	450	-	-
Average Time for System Impact Study Completion (days)	117	-	-
Number of Projects with Completed Facilities Studies	-	-	-
Average Time for Facilities Study Completion (days)	-	-	-

## Requirement 2

The following table shows the number of New Service Requests remaining in the Expedited Process, Transition Cycle 1, and Transition Cycle 2, separated by queue window and study phase.

	Expedited Process	Transition Cycle 1	Transition Cycle 2
AE1	Completed	3	-
AE2		9	-
AF1		13	-
AF2		33	-
AG1		31	-
AG2		-	134
AH1		-	145
Total		89	279

## Requirement 3

### Transition Cycle 1

Transition Cycle 1 entered Phase III on April 21, 2025, and was completed on September 19, 2025. The 152-day period to complete the Phase III System Impact Study for Transition Cycle 1 is consistent with the applicable 180-day

<sup>4</sup> See *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Docket No. ER22-2110-000 and ER22-2110-001 Informational Report on the Processing of New Service Requests Under the Transition Period Rules, Filing Letter at n.4 (Aug. 14, 2025) (“August 14 Filing Letter”).

<sup>5</sup> Per Tariff Part VII, Subpart D, section 309(A)(2), eight (8) projects in Transition Cycle 2 were eligible to accelerate to final agreement at Decision Point I.

study period under the Tariff. The Final Agreement Negotiation Phase started on September 22, 2025, and agreements were issued for execution on December 17, 2025.

## Transition Cycle 2

Transition Cycle 2 entered Phase I on July 7, 2025, and was completed on October 31, 2025. The 117-day period to complete the Phase I System Impact Study for Transition Cycle 2 is consistent with the 120-day study period under the Tariff. Decision Point I of Transition Cycle 2 opened on November 3, 2025, and closed on December 2, 2025. Transition Cycle 2 entered Phase II on December 3, 2025. Please see Requirement 4 for the projected commencement and completion dates of each phase in Transition Cycle 2.

## Requirement 4

The figure below provides a timeline and associated milestones illustrating PJM's expected commencement and completion of remaining phases in Transition Cycle 2, and the commencement of Cycle 1 under the New Rules as detailed in PJM's June 14 filing in Docket No. ER22-2110-000.<sup>6</sup>

	Projected Start	Projected End
TC2 Phase 2	-	6-1-26
TC2 Phase 3	7-2-26	12-28-26
Cycle 1 Commencement	4-27-26	-

<sup>6</sup> PJM completed the Expedited Process on April 18, 2025, which was on schedule with PJM's projection. *PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.*, Docket No. ER22-2110-000 and ER22-2110-001 Informational Report on the Processing of New Service Requests Under the Transition Period Rules, Attachment A at 3 (Feb. 14, 2025).